

In the Claims:

119. (Twice Amended) A wear assembly for attachment along a lip of an excavator comprising:

a boss fixed to the lip and having a rear wall;

a wear member having (i) a forwardly projecting working end, (ii) a rearwardly extending leg having an inner side adapted to face the lip, a rear wall generally transverse to the inner side, and a longitudinal slot open in the inner side and the rear wall of the leg to receive the boss and thereby provide support to the position of the wear member on the lip, and (iii) a forwardly facing bearing surface; and

a lock placed in general alignment with the slot and maintained to one side of the lip for engagement with the rear wall of the boss and the bearing surface of the wear member to retain the wear member to the lip, the lock including a body having an axial hole extending generally parallel to the extension of the slot, and an adjustment member movably secured in the axial hole of the body such that axial movement of the adjustment member in the axial hole relative to the body expands the lock so as to press against the rear wall of the boss and the bearing surface of the wear member and thereby move the wear member rearward to thereby tighten the mounting of the wear member on the lip.

135. (Twice Amended) A wear member for mounting on a front lip of an excavator having a fixed boss, the wear member comprising (i) a forwardly projecting working end, (ii) a rearwardly extending leg having an inner side to face the lip, a rear wall generally transverse to the inner side, and a longitudinal slot open in the inner side and the rear wall of the leg to receive the boss and thereby provide support to the position of the

wear member on the lip, the slot including a rearwardly-facing bearing surface at a front end thereof and extending out of the slot for abutting against a front wall of the boss in face-to-face contact for resisting rearwardly directed loading on the wear member during use, and (iii) a lock receiving opening extending through the wear member and having a first forwardly-facing bearing surface extending generally transverse to the lip to contact the lock.

139. Canceled.